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- 3. Mr. Berger, Special Assistant to the Mutual Security Director Harriman, called to state that he had some concern regarding the fact that the staff study on MSA manpower and the Kersten amendment, which had been prepared by the staff of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, was unclassified. He has, therefore, asked the Committee Clerk, Mr. Crawford, to classify the memorandum as Confidential.
- 4. Mr. Belen, Chief Clerk of the House Civil Service Committee, has informed Legislative Counsel that the Subcommittee considering H.R. 554, the bill to authorize recognition of organizations of Federal employees, has agreed that CIA should be exempt from its provisions and requested appropriate language to accomplish this aim. We suggested the inclusion of the following language in the revised version of this proposed legislation:

"Provided, that, the provisions of this Act shall not apply to the Central Intelligence Agency."

5. Mr. Roger Jones, Assistant Director of the Bureau of the Budget for Legislative Reference, called Legislative Counsel to state that the President planned to submit a message to Congress on Monday or Tuesday on the refugee problem. The President also desires to submit legislation in this regard, and a draft will be available to all x interested agencies on Monday, 10 March. By the President's direction all agency comments on the proposed draft must be returned to the Bureau of the Budget by close of business on Wednesday, 12 March.